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Class of works: I am writing in support of Class #2 (DVD Region Coding): Audiovisual works stored on Digital Versatile Disks ("DVDs") that are not available in Region 1 DVD format and access to which is prevented by technological measures.

Summary:

Disc name: Porco Rosso, Kiki's Delivery Service

The Japanese children's DVDs 'Porco Rosso' and 'Kiki's Delivery Service' will not play on my Region 1 equipment.

When I bought those DVDs, I had a computer with a DVD_ROM drive that was region-free (RPC-1). The computer was stolen, and the replacement computer, as required by the DVD CCA, is restricted to Region 1 (RPC-2). Therefore, I have two DVDs, legitimately purchased, that I cannot play. It is very unlikely that these discs, with the same Japanese bonus material will ever be released in the United States; even if they were, I would be forced to purchase the same discs a second time.